

23rd. Eliz., 1581 (Rot. Curie Hund. de Lexden). Of Golding it was purchased by John, Lord Peter."¹ Arthur Golding's relations with this sister-in-law seem to have been far from pleasant, as is evidenced by the following extract from Hunter's manuscript: "There is a bill in the Exchequer 14 Feb., 1585, to Lord Burghley from his daily orator Arthur Golding—Whereas his late brother Henry Golding Esq., deceased left him in present possession only the manor of East Thorpe which was encumbered, & gave the manor of Little Biral [Birch?] with other lands to Alice his wife, with a clause prohibiting said Arthur from molesting her;—and whereas one Robert Crispe a very troublesome and unquiet person marrying one Mary Waldegrave daughter of the said Alice & wife of one Robert Waldegrave, Esq. yet alive and undivorced, under colour of that unlawful marriage obtained of the said Alice a lease of the said Henry Goldings chief mansion house & has committed waste and spoil—He prays that he may proceed against Crispe without incurring the penalty of his brothers will."² What would seem to be a reference to the same difficulty occurs in the 'Proceedings in Chancery' of Queen Elizabeth's reign in a suit in which Arthur Golding is plaintiff and Robert Crispe defendant. The entry refers to a document which is "only an answer" and which "respects a lease granted to one Anne [Alice?] Goldinge, but of what lands or where situated does not appear."³

From his brother George, Arthur Golding also inherited property. On March 7th, 1580, he bought from him and Mary his wife the manor of Nether-hall, Gestingthorp, but sold it on March 2, 1585, to John Coo or Coe.⁴ In the meantime George Golding had died (November 24, 1584) and Arthur inherited from him the manors of Waltons and Nether-hall, and of Jackletts, Fanbridge and Amys land, all of which he sold on March 1, 1595, to Thomas Mildmay, Esq., eldest son of William

¹ Morant, *op. cit.*, vol. ii, p. 184—Lexden Hundred.

² Chorus Vatum.

³ *Calendars of the Proceedings in Chancery—Queen Elizabeth*, vol. i. G. g. 13. P. 379.

⁴ Morant, *op. cit.*, vol. ii, p. 307—Hineckford Hundred.